

SPECIAL PROJECTS BULLETIN

FAITH-BASED INITIATIVE

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TO: NONPROFIT FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS
OR THEIR AFFILIATES
LOCAL WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AREAS
CALIFORNIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

SUBJECT: ANNOUNCING COMPETITIVE GRANTS FOR FAITH-BASED
ORGANIZATIONS

The California Employment Development Department (EDD) of the California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHSA) is requesting assistance from the faith community to provide employment assistance and related supportive services to those individuals least likely to seek assistance through traditional government channels. If your organization provides services directly or indirectly to long-term California Work Opportunities and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) recipients, non-custodial parents having difficulty meeting child-support obligations, parolees of the State prison system, homeless individuals, emancipated foster-care youths, and individuals involved in gangs or under the supervision of the criminal justice system; you may be eligible to compete for grants made available through EDD.

The Governor and the California Legislature have budgeted up to \$5,000,000 for grants that propose innovative and effective strategies that focus on customized employment assistance services for individuals and that produce results. In the near future, EDD will release a Solicitation for Proposal (SFP) that details the eligibility requirements for this funding and the criteria necessary to successfully compete. When released, the SFP will be available in electronic format on the EDD Employment and Training Web site <http://www.edd.ca.gov/emptran.htm> (Employment and Training Special Projects) or by calling (916) 654-7799.

The SFP provides an opportunity to nonprofit faith-based organizations or their affiliates to apply for funds to enhance programs, increase potential outreach to those who are most in need, and work collaboratively with local and state entities. Furthermore, the EDD will also provide technical assistance throughout the process to any organization in need of additional guidance. Information regarding Bidders' Conferences and grant writing workshops will be in the SFP package.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Bolden of the Program Development and Management Division, at mbolden@edd.ca.gov or (916) 654-7799.

/S/ JIM CURTIS
Chief

Attachment

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL

If you intend to submit a proposal for the faith-based employment assistance program, please complete and mail or fax this *Notice of Intent to Submit a Proposal* form by August 31, 2000.

The information from this form will be used to update our mailing list for future grant solicitations and other planning purposes. The submission of this form does not obligate your organization to submit a proposal and failure to submit this form will not disqualify you from submitting a proposal.

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